DATE: December 21, 2006

TO: Potential Sickle Cell Program Applicants

FROM: Robert Bruce Scott, Grants Coordinator

Maternal & Children's Special Health Care Services

SUBJECT: Availability of Sickle Cell Program Funds

The Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) Maternal and Children's Special Health Care Division (MCSHC) is soliciting grant applications for the Newborn Screening Services Sickle Cell Program. Applications must be postmarked by February 2, 2007.

The Sickle Cell Program provides funds for the prevention, care, and treatment of sickle cell anemia and for educational programs concerning the disease as required by law (P.L.2-1993, SEC.29.) The Sickle Cell Program will provide grants to those entities that provide testing, counseling, education and follow up services to those who are affected with Sickle Cell or other Hemoglobinopathies.

The Grant Application includes the Performance Measures (separate attachment) that each project is required to complete. Each grantee will also be required to file reports on a quarterly and annual basis using the ISDH Sickle Cell Datamart. Entities awarded grants will receive the report format in the future.

Please feel free to contact me at (317) 233-1241 or rescott@isdh.in.gov with any questions or concerns regarding this grant application or Tasha Smith-Bonds at (317) 233-1357 or tbods@isdh.in.gov regarding programmatic questions.

Attachments: Grant Application Procedure Performance Measures